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Dear Tony--

I know how busy you must be, and so can understand your having forgotten about it, but I hope you won't mind if I remind you to send me the copy of the P&S Yearbook that you once mentioned having gotten for me. Enclosed is a check for \$4.50 which is as best as I can remember the cost.

This is the second year of your internship at Maimonides Hospital, isn't it? Are you pursuing your neurological specialty? If you can find a minute, I'd like very much to hear what kind of work you're doing now.

I'm rather far from the track of medicine by now -- a few months ago, I couldn't even recall that the anatomical term for armpit was axilla! [And after having worked over it so long too!]. The lab is completely equipped now, and except that we are a little cramped for space when the graduate students are here, everything is going very smoothly, with alternating periods of exciting interest and dull tedium that are characteristic of research. I'm including a couple of reprints that may give you an idea of the latest developments. We have also been doing a little work on latent bacteriophages in *E. coli*, which behave like an infectious genetic particle, and a program on genetic recombination in *Salmonella*, which I hope may ultimately develop ~~toward~~ towards a study of virulence factors under genetic control in the parasite. So far, there has not been a definite demonstration of a sexual stage in *Salmonella*, but there have been some encouragements. Esther is well along with her thesis now, and passed her prelims in June, so she should have her Ph. D. next summer,

We will probably be East again this Christmas to attend the AAAS meetings in New York, and I hope we may have a chance to get together then.

Best regards to your parents, and your family,

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg